

## **NORTH TOLSTA COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**Note of meeting of the North Tolsta Community Council held at the Community Hall, North Tolsta, on Tuesday, 9 October 2018, at 7pm.**

**PRESENT:** Angus Murray (AM); John A MacIver (JM); Fiona Black (FB); Donald MacIver (DMI); Eric Trayner (ET); Stuart Thomson (ST); Anna MacKenzie (AMK); Erica MacLeod (EM).

**APOLOGIES:** Cllr Donald Crichton; Cllr Calum MacLean; Fiona MacLeod (FM).

**CHAIR:** Stuart Thomson

### **1. Note of the Last Meeting**

Note of the last meeting of 11 September 2018 was approved.

#### **Matters arising**

- War Memorial – works had been completed, a cheque was made out and would be despatched asap to draw down the grant.
- Memorial Garden – EM would get a quote for the works to be done.
- School - no further update from AM and FM as yet, following the meeting with the Director of Education and Children's Services.

### **2. Accounts/Bank Balance**

A balance of £5,701, as at 21 August 2018, was recorded, but there were some commitments outstanding. AM had received an e-mail on 21 September from MacGregor Industrial Supplies (MIS) about bills outstanding of £79.15 and a 'credit stopped' notice. This had now been dealt with, but it was suggested to MIS that they should send any future invoices/correspondence to the Treasurer, as opposed to the Secretary.

### **3. Remembrance Service**

The service would be held on 10 November 2018 (Saturday).

To avoid any unnecessary pressure on the day it was agreed that NM would seek quotes from the County for the provision of external catering. Soups could still be provided locally.

Kieran Murray had been approached to play the pipes. AM would contact Reverend Campbell, Tolsta School and the Lord Lieutenant regarding their representation/attendance. AMK would work on the leaflet. The Cadets and TA would also need to be contacted.

A donation from local Councillors' ward allocation had been agreed.

### **4. Community Hall**

It appeared that Medlock or Dimplex had no intention of trying to resolve the situation and certainly not to replace the damaged heaters. DMI offered to speak to Medlocks but would hold off until AM contacted CM at the Comhairle to see if there was any further update with ACE. Obviously a quick resolution was desirable given the approaching winter months and continued school usage.

There was some discussion about the acoustics in the hall which were poor, as was evident from recent public meetings, and this is something that could be investigated further at a later date. At present the situation with the heaters was more pressing.

**5. Football Pitch/ PACT**

Planning consent was anticipated in November 2018. AM would start to look into potential funding sources, including Sportscotland, Robertson Trust and TCDL in the first instance.

**6. Druim Leathann**

The additional planning consent has been deferred to at least November/December 2019, pending the outcome of an ornithological survey and a visual impact assessment (as per the attached).

**7. AOCB**

**Fireworks**

TCDL had contributed £400 towards the costs. HIS in Inverness stocked fireworks and JM would visit the store while on the mainland (the following week).

**Play Parks**

Mairi Smith (Comhairle) had forwarded the application for the grant which appeared to be for works yet to be undertaken (as opposed to a block grant to offset any costs already incurred). JM would complete the form.

**Locality Planning**

Ron Culley and his team intended to meet with all community councils at the one meeting.

**AGM**

The intention was to hold an AGM of the Community Council on 13 November 2018 (with PACT holding an AGM as well on the same evening. *(After discussion with the Comhairle's Democratic Services Manager, it was subsequently decided not to hold an AGM until April 2019, as per the Community Council's Constitution).*

**8. Date of Next Meeting**

Tuesday, 13 November 2018, at 7pm.

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